

Remarks

The above-identified patent application claims priority to DE 107 43 256.2 filed on September 17, 2002. The Applicant has amended claims 1-9 of the English translation of the underlying DE 107 43 256.2 in this Preliminary Amendment in order to remove multiple claim dependencies and put the claims into proper U.S. claim format without the introduction of new matter. The Applicant has amended the specification of the English translation of the underlying DE 107 43 256.2 in this Preliminary Amendment to add proper headings.

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